

GUIDE TO I-75/I-96 Your Gateway Connection



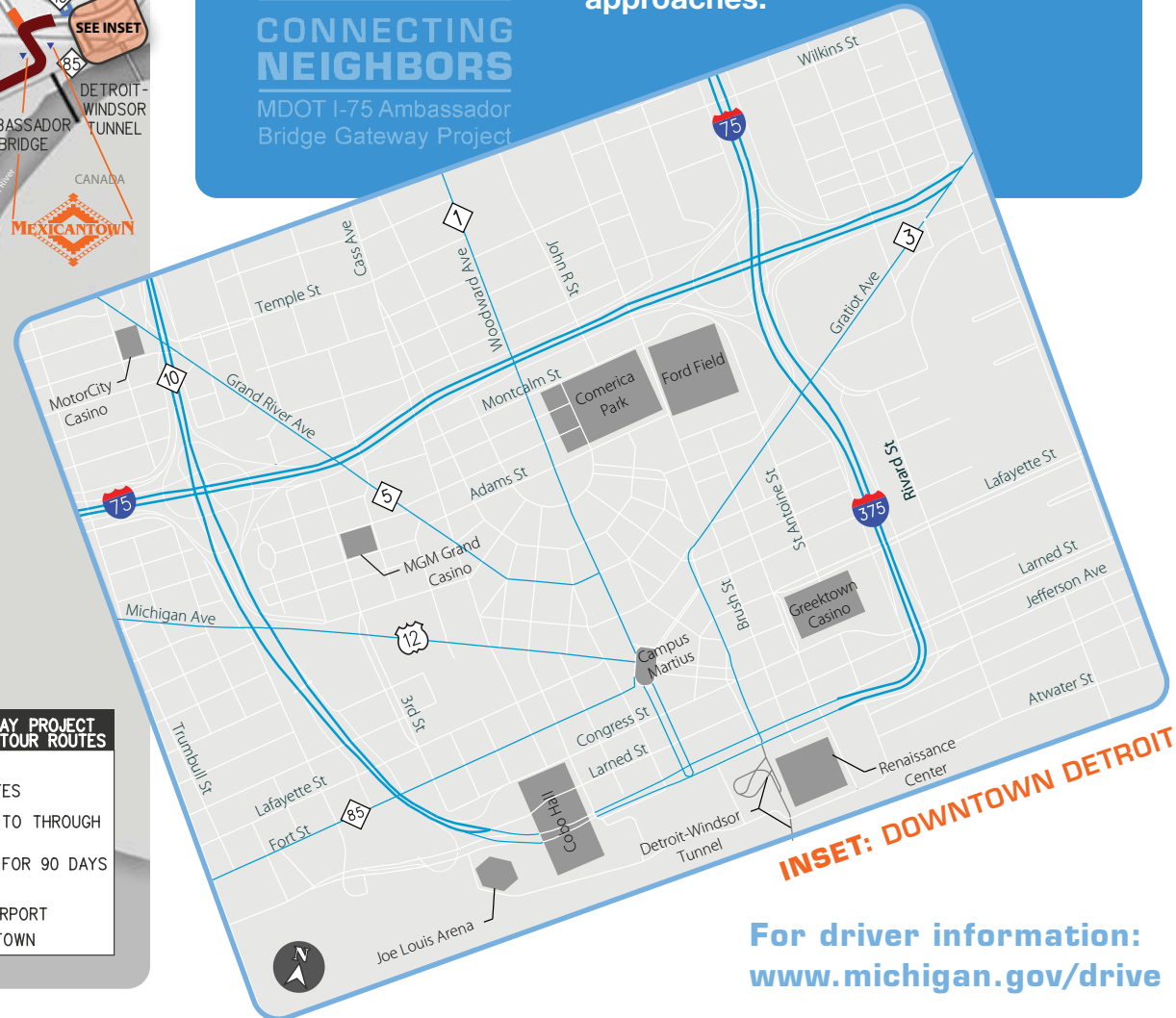
**CONNECTING
NEIGHBORS**
MDOT I-75 Ambassador
Bridge Gateway Project

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Detroit Area Access Map

Traffic information beginning
February 2008

Continue to watch the website for
additional information and specific
dates as the project start date
approaches.




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To Downtown Detroit

 The following ramps will remain OPEN throughout the project:

- Northbound I-75 to Clark Street
- Clark Street to southbound I-75
- Rosa Parks Boulevard to northbound I-75
- Warren Avenue to eastbound I-96
- Westbound I-96 to Warren Avenue

 The following ramps will be CLOSED for the full duration of the project:

- Clark Street to northbound I-75
- Rosa Parks Boulevard to southbound I-75

There will be separate routes for trucks. Vehicles and commercial trucks will not be sharing the same detours. This will help eliminate truck traffic on local streets and to improve traffic flow on detour routes for commuters and travelers.

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From the north to Downtown Detroit

- I-75 south to I-375 south
- I-96/I-275 south to I-96 east to I-94 east to M-10 south

From the south to Downtown Detroit

- I-75 north to Livernois Avenue exit turn right to Fort Street east
- I-275 north to I-94 east to M-10 south

From the east to Downtown Detroit

- I-94 west to M-10 south
- I-696 west to I-75 south to M-8 west to M-10 south

From the west to Downtown Detroit

- I-94 east to M-10 south
- I-96 east to I-94 east to M-10 south



GATEWAY PROJECT AREA



From the Ambassador Bridge to Freeways

From bridge to the north

- Exit bridge plaza to temporary ramp to I-75 north to M-10 north to M-8 east to I-75 north

From bridge to the south

- Exit bridge plaza to 21st Street north to Vernor Highway west to Clark Street south to I-75 south

From bridge to the east

- Exit bridge plaza to temporary ramp to I-75 north to M-10 north to I-94 east

From bridge to the west

- Exit bridge plaza to temporary ramp to I-75 north to M-10 north to I-94 west (left lane exit)

To Mexicantown

From the north to Mexicantown

- I-75 south to Rosa Parks Boulevard exit and follow detour signs
- I-96/I-275 south to I-96 east to Martin L. King Boulevard/Michigan Avenue exit south on service drive to Vernor Highway
- M-10 south to I-94 west to I-96 east to Martin L. King Boulevard/Michigan Avenue exit south on service drive to Vernor Highway

From all Freeways to the Ambassador Bridge

From the north to the Ambassador Bridge

- I-75 south to M-8 west to M-10 south to I-94 west to I-96 east and follow posted detour to bridge
- I-96/I-275 south to I-96 east and follow posted detour to bridge
- M-10 south to I-94 west to I-96 east and follow posted detour to bridge

From the south to the Ambassador Bridge

- I-75 north to Clark Street exit

From the east to the Ambassador Bridge

- I-94 west to I-96 east and follow posted detour to bridge

From the west to the Ambassador Bridge

- I-94 east to I-96 east and follow posted detour to bridge
- I-96 east to posted detour

From the south to Mexicantown

- I-75 north to Livernois Avenue exit turn right to Fort Street east to Clark Street north to Vernor Highway

From the east to Mexicantown

- I-94 west to I-96 east to Martin L. King Boulevard/Michigan Avenue exit south on service drive to Vernor Highway

From the west to Mexicantown

- I-94 east to I-96 east to Martin L. King Boulevard/Michigan Avenue exit south on service drive to Vernor Highway

WHAT: The MDOT I-75 Ambassador Bridge Gateway Project is the largest project in MDOT history. It is a major economic development project connecting area freeways to the Ambassador Bridge and Detroit's Mexicantown neighborhood. The project includes:

- Reconstructing I-75 and I-96 freeways and creating a new interchange for the bridge and local access
- A state-of-the-art pedestrian bridge across I-75 and I-96 connecting east and west Mexicantown in southwest Detroit
- A redesigned Ambassador Bridge Plaza that will improve safety and ease traffic flow

WHERE: A section of I-75 between Clark Street and I-96 will be closed to through traffic during construction. However, access to the Ambassador Bridge and to the community will be maintained throughout the project. All Mexicantown businesses will be fully accessible, including the new Detroit Mexicantown International Welcome Center and Mercado.

WHEN: The project will start late February 2008 and will fully re-open to traffic by December 2009.

WHY: The Ambassador Bridge, along with the I-94 and I-75/I-96 freeways, is part of a vital North American trade route. Thousands of vehicles travel these routes each day and approximately 11 million vehicles cross the bridge each year. Maintaining these routes and providing for future traffic expansion is key to regional growth and economic prosperity.

ECONOMIC IMPACT: The Gateway Project will have substantial positive economic impacts on the region. As a key element of MDOT's Five Year Plan, it will contribute to generating billions in Gross State Domestic Product and real personal income over the five years.

WHAT TO DO:

- Consider using buses, carpools and vanpools
- Plan an alternate and a backup alternate route
- Check www.michigan.gov/gateway for the latest project updates throughout construction

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Consider an
alternate means
of transportation

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Detroit Area: 313.933.1300

Outside Detroit: 888.336.8287

SMART Bus System

www.smartbus.org

866.962.5515

MichiVan Commuter Vans

800.826.7433

RideShare in Metro Detroit

www.semcog.org

866.510.POOL

Detroit People Mover

www.thepeplemover.com

313.962.7045

800.541.RAIL (7045)

League of Michigan Bicyclists

www.lmb.org

517.334.9100



For up-to-the-minute updates on construction and traffic, turn to WWJ Newsradio 950, for Traffic and Weather Together on the Eights...



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313.965.6350

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